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CORRECTED FIRST AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the communication from the examiner dated 11/09/2004, the following response is submitted.

a.) Introductory Comments

The applicants and their attorney wish to thank the Examiner for her prompt and helpful response to our queries of February 7, 2005.

The following amendments are hereby submitted.